

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Amended) A computer implemented method of promoting commerce comprising:

updating technical coefficients in a regional econometric input-output model using a regional metropolitan industry-to-industry Internet electronic commerce website.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising continuously updating said electronic commerce website.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein using a regional metropolitan industry-to-industry Internet electronic commerce website comprises accepting orders from industries through the website.
4. (Original) The method of claim 2 wherein using a regional metropolitan industry-to-industry Internet electronic commerce website comprises tracking transactions between industries on the website.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising establishing an industry-to-industry electronic commerce website for a particular region.
6. (Original) The method of claim 4 further comprising converting transaction data derived from said tracking into a regional input-output matrix of technical coefficients.
7. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising recording transactions that occur between businesses on the electronic website.

8. (Original) The method of claim 4 further comprising identifying new businesses in new industrial sectors based on said tracking.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 further comprising monitoring said new businesses in a specific region.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising storing inter-industrial purchase and sales transaction data on a temporary basis in a website host computer.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10 further comprising collecting and storing data from single transactions between firms on a temporary basis on the website host computer.

12. (Original) The method of claim 11 further comprising transmitting data from the website host computer on a plurality of businesses in a plurality of sectors to a computer database.

13. (Original) The method of claim 12 further comprising collecting, storing, aggregating and analyzing data on multiple transactions that occur over a fixed time interval stored in said computer database.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising allowing single buyers and single sellers to meet and negotiate terms and conditions of a transaction on said website.

15. (Original) The method of claim 14 further comprising tracking transactions entered into as a result of said allowing single buyers and single sellers to meet and negotiate terms and conditions of a transaction on said website.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising allowing multiple buyers and multiple sellers to post fixed prices for fixed quantities to consummate a transaction on said website.

17. (Original) The method of claim 16 further comprising tracking transactions entered into as a result of allowing multiple buyers and multiple sellers to post fixed prices for fixed quantities to consummate a transaction on said website.

18. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising allowing an auction exchange market to occur on said website.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18 further comprising tracking transactions entered into as a result of said allowing an auction exchange market to occur on said website.

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